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1. On 3 February 1954, the Artillerie Kaserne, Perleberg, was occupied to capacity by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including 25 percent with artillery insignia and 25 percent with tank insignia. About 100 to 120 troops engaged in marching, training in firing and physical training at the drill ground. At about 10:30 a.m., about 30 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery insignia, and carrying gas-defense equipment were seen leaving the installation.

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2. On 3 February, about 20 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with tank insignia, entered the Fliegerhorst Kaserne. About 180 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets received instruction, including throwing of hand grenades, in the training area south of the road to Wittenberge. Reports of machine guns were heard from the adjoining firing range.

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3. On 19 January, about 10 trucks, towing 7 x 57-mm AT guns, passed through Quitzow, coming from the direction of Ludwigslust and proceeding toward Perleberg.

4. on 17 January, T-34 tanks were seen in Perleberg and that a school for Soviet children and apartment houses for Soviet families were to be built at the Perleberg airfield. Apartments which became vacant, were reserved for the Soviet Army.

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Comment. The two installations can be carried occupied as previously by units of the 18th Mecz Div. The AT gun column probably belonged to the 53th Mecz Regt of the division.

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